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e the Application of:

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Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are offered in response to the Examiner's Office Action dated 07/03/01. They are respectfully submitted as a full and complete response to that Action.

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Paragraph at Page 4, line 11

The lead frame of FIG. 1a presents a greater problem in that the semiconductor die to be mounted in the lead frame on die mount 12a is